

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN RE: CITY OF NEWPORT WATER DIVISION
APPLICATION TO CHANGE RATE SCHEDULES

DOCKET NO. 4933

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

Pursuant to the provisions of R.I. Gen. Laws §39-3-11, as amended, the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) will conduct public hearings on the following dates and locations to accept comments on the above matter:

July 18, 2019 @ 6:00 P.M. Newport City Hall, Council Chambers
43 Broadway
Newport, Rhode Island

September 25, 2019 @ 9:30 A.M. Public Utilities Commission, Hearing Room A
89 Jefferson Boulevard
Warwick, Rhode Island

In this docket, the Commission will examine the propriety of an application by the Newport Water Division seeking to implement a multi-year rate plan through a two-step rate increase pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws §39-15.1-4. In the first step of the rate plan, Newport Water proposed rates are designed to collect additional operating revenue in the amount of \$2,432,021 to support a total revenue requirement of \$19,843,202. The impact of this request for a typical residential customer who uses 5,000 gallons of water per month will result in an increase of \$5.99 per month from \$661.44 to \$733.32 per year. The impact of Newport Water's proposal on all other customers will vary based on customer class and consumption.

In the second year of the rate plan, proposed to take effect on July 1, 2021, Newport Water's proposed rates are designed to collect additional operating revenue in the amount of \$556,867 to support a total revenue requirement of \$20,400,069. The impact of this request for a typical residential customer who uses 5,000 gallons of water per month will result in an increase of \$1.75 per month from \$733.32 to \$754.32 per year.

The application is on file for examination at the PUC's office and at office of the Newport Water Division, 70 Halsey Street, Newport, Rhode Island. The application can also be accessed at www.ripuc.org/eventsactions/docket/4933page.html. Reference is made to Chapters 39-1, 39-3 and 42-35 of the Rhode Island General Laws.

These buildings are accessible to the handicapped. Individuals requesting interpreter services for the hearing impaired must notify the Clerk's office at 780-2107 seventy-two hours in advance of hearing date.

Luly E. Massaro, Commission Clerk
July 8, 2019